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LIGHTNING STARTS FIRE NEAR COLTER BAY MARINA ON JACKSON LAKE

Teton Interagency fire personnel responded to the report of a fire along the Colter Bay Nature Trail on Jackson Lake near Colter Bay Marina at 12:15 p.m. today, Wednesday, August 21. A passing thunderstorm produced lightning strikes, starting the Nature Fire.

Five firefighters from an interagency fuels-management crew and a Teton Interagency contract helicopter were dispatched to the .25-acre Nature Fire, which was burning along the eastern shore of Jackson Lake in a densely forested area with significant regrowth vegetation.

To ensure public safety and facilitate firefighting crews and equipment, the Colter Nature Trail was temporarily closed to hikers; the trail has been reopened at this time.

This marks to the eighth lightning-caused fire in Grand Teton National Park this summer.

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